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We need to divert resources away from troop deployment and toward programs that will empower the Afghan people and bolster the capacity and competence of their government, a government that works for their people and with the international community.

At his press conference with President Karzai, President Obama said that "Afghans are a proud people who have suffered and sacrificed greatly because of their determination to shape their own destiny." Mr. Speaker, that is undoubtedly true, and that's why they deserve better than government by cronyism, and American troops also deserve better than to shed blood for a corrupt and dysfunctional regime.

So, Mr. Speaker, it's time to bring our troops home and launch a smart security plan, and it's important that we do it today.

HONORING JUANITA WORSLEY WILLIAMS ON HER 98TH BIRTHDAY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. JONES. Mr. Speaker, there are not many Members of Congress that have the honor to wish a beautiful lady a happy 98th birthday, especially when the lady was present at his birth. Mrs. Juanita Worsley Williams, from my hometown of Farmville, lived next door, and she and her husband, Dr. Roderick Williams, were good friends of my parents. In fact, Juanita Williams assisted her husband in delivering me on February 10, 1943.

Juanita is the daughter of Lula Lee Blake Worsley and William H. Worsley. She was born in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, at Park View Hospital in 1912.

Mrs. Williams and her husband raised their children in Farmville and lived next door to my family for years. She was very good friends with my mother, and I often played with her children.

Juanita and Dr. Roderick Williams have three children: Nan Williams Gibson, Dr. Roderick Williams, Jr., and Lu Williams Leonard. She also has eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

When Juanita's husband died in 1964, she began working at the Sam D. Bundy Elementary School as a secretary. She loved her job, and everyone loved her in return.

Friendship and community service have always been important to Mrs. Williams. She was very active locally and statewide in the Daughters of the American Revolution and Girl Scouts. She also organized the CAR, Children of the American Revolution, in our hometown of Farmville. Because of her love for the youth of our community, Mrs. Williams, who was also a devoted member of the First Baptist Church, participated in Sunday school, vacation Bible school, and youth fellowship meetings.

Mrs. Williams just returned from a trip to the Panama Canal. While there, she visited with nephews and nieces and had a wonderful time. Juanita was very pleased that the canal will be widened and not replaced.

Juanita Williams has given her life to making her community of Farmville a better place to live, whether it be by organizing the Meals on Wheels program or helping with the Girl Scouts. She is a true American who believes and lives the traditional values of placing God, home, and country first in her life.

Juanita Williams always has two wonderful things to say to everyone: "I love you," and "God bless you." She always says that her secret for longevity is love, love for others and love for God.

I'm truly honored to know such a wonderful lady and have this opportunity to honor her on this special day. I want Mrs. Williams to know how much she meant to the Jones family and that we love her.

May God continue to bless Juanita Williams, her family, and our country. And may God continue to bless America.

HONORING THE CHATHAM COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. ETHERIDGE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of a resolution that was on the floor earlier which I introduced with my friend Congressman DAVID PRICE and which honors the historic and community significance of the Chatham County Courthouse in Pittsboro, North Carolina. I would like to thank Majority Leader HOYER, Judiciary Committee Chairman CONYERS, Subcommittee Chairman JOHNSON, and really the entire North Carolina delegation, each of whom helped bring this important resolution to the floor.

On March 25 of this year, a tragic fire struck and almost totally destroyed Chatham County Courthouse, which has been a beacon of justice and the rule of law for over 100 years. Anyone who has ever driven through Pittsboro, around the traffic circle surrounding the courthouse, can attest to its beauty and how central its presence has been to the Pittsboro community, the county, and the State of North Carolina. The entire community rose to its defense as the fire blazed and even now is working to rebuild it. Thanks to the heroic actions of the firefighters, first responders, community leaders, and Chatham County citizens. I am confident that Pittsboro will again have a courthouse that the town and the county can be proud of.

I would like to particularly recognize some of the leaders who were instrumental in managing and alleviating this unexpected tragedy and really kept the building from being totally destroyed: Thomas Bender, who is the Chatham County fire marshal; Daryl Griffin, Pittsboro fire chief, and all of the adjoining fire departments that came to help; David Collins, Pittsboro police chief; Richard H. Webster, sheriff of Chatham County; Randy Voller, mayor of the town of Pittsboro; Larry Chisolm, Chatham County district attorney; Allen Baddour, superior court judge, Chatham County District 15B; and the entire Chatham County board of commissioners who rallied, who stood the streets, who brought the community together.

I ask my colleagues, as this resolution comes to the floor, to join me in honoring these North Carolina leaders and those who love the community of Pittsboro and the Chatham County Courthouse, a cultural icon and a landmark that will not easily be forgotten. By supporting this resolution, it will be rebuilt by the people of Chatham County.

IS PRESIDENT CALDERON HYPOCRITICAL?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. Poe) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, Mexican President Felipe Calderon says he thinks Arizona's new illegal immigration enforcement law will open the door to "intolerance, hate, discrimination and abuse in law enforcement." Calderon's coming to the White House to talk to our President about it tomorrow. I wonder if they'll discuss whether or not Calderon supports his own country's immigration policy.

Mr. Speaker, writer Michelle Malkin recently published some really interesting research on Mexican immigration laws. The Mexican Government bars any foreigner from immigrating to Mexico if they upset "the equilibrium of the national demographic." I wonder if President Calderon thinks that's racial or ethnic profiling. Mexican law further bars immigration unless a person enhances Mexico's "economic or national interests." Immigrants are not welcome in Mexico if they're not "physically or mentally healthy" or if they show "contempt against Mexico's national sovereignty or security.' Imagine that.

Immigrants to Mexico must have squeaky clean criminal histories. And to apply for Mexican citizenship, immigrants have to show a birth certificate, and they have to provide a bank statement that proves that they are economically independent. In other words, you can't go to Mexico and live off the Mexican Government. And they also have to prove they can pay for their own private health care.

What are the penalties for failure to comply with Mexican immigration laws? Illegal entry into the country is equivalent to a felony punishable by 2 years' imprisonment. Document fraud is subject to fine and imprisonment; so